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3. **Naval Vessels** [redacted] few naval vessels in subject port, noting in particular only a few patrol boats. [redacted] there were three anchored [redacted] or berthed by means of a Mediterranean moor to the Eastern Mole in the same area.

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[redacted] there were "some" naval vessels, including a small destroyer, in the cove near the mouth of the Doob River in the vicinity of [redacted]

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[redacted] a 45' length eliminated all USSR craft except the "45" MSB - 2nd variation. [redacted] this vessel had "ROBUSTA" radar [redacted] antenna [redacted] "more compact than that of the [redacted] the same type radar on Soviet "fish factory" vessels. [redacted] the flag flying from this vessel as the Soviet Naval Ensign. The vessel showed no lights at any time and the single gun forward was covered with canvas.

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Merchant Vessels At [redacted] identified one as the MAIKOB.  
[redacted] were two Soviet tankers.

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4. Construction [redacted] there were large holes excavated in the vicinity of  
[redacted] with timbers stacked near the excavation [redacted]  
[redacted] no reconstruction of berthing areas or piers.

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5. Oil Refinery [redacted] crude oil [redacted] was piped from  
the tank farm in the vicinity of [redacted] but [redacted] this "farm" was supplied  
by rail, with four railroad engines and about 150 tank cars of 50.7-ton capacity  
in use hauling the oil from Krasnodar. [redacted] even at 28°F the crude  
oil was "free running - like benzol."

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6. Naval Base Except for the construction noted above [redacted] little activity in  
the naval base area and [redacted] the Naval Basin contained only fishing boats.

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7. Eastern Shipyard [redacted] little activity in this shipyard or in others in  
the harbor, but [redacted] a large crane of 50-80 ton capacity in the "repair  
yard."

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10. Harbor Craft [redacted] only two tugs in the harbor. Both of these vessels were coal burners and berthed by means of a "Mediterranean Moor" at the head of the pier [redacted] identified these tugs as the MOTORESK and the CSHI. At [redacted] were several fishing boats moored to the piling. At [redacted] was a dredge at work and discharging into a "mud barge." A "white ferry boat" was [redacted] plying between the harbor and the vicinity of [redacted]

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13. Economics [redacted] the following examples of the high cost of living: one bar of chocolate - 15 rubles, and an "old style" camera or a bicycle - 2,000 rubles. [redacted] although there is no "prostitution," there are plenty of streetwalkers and these "poorly dressed" girls will ask for stockings and clothing, not money.
14. Miscellaneous [redacted] [redacted] "many" signal type rockets fired from the vicinity of [redacted] apparently in celebration of some holiday. [redacted] many new buildings are evident [redacted] a "new town."

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a. There is a possibility that the "ROBUSTA" radar [REDACTED] is actually  
the Soviet NEPTUN, [REDACTED]  
If it is the NEPTUN [REDACTED] there would be  
little room remaining for a crew.

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